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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
MASAKAZU FURUKAWA, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLN. :  
  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.